

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 7 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The (optional) central portion 20, the plurality of web portions 12, and the outer portions 14 are preferably integral portions of the unitary structural member 10. By “unitary”, it is intended to mean that the unitary structural member 10 is formed in a single, integral piece; that is, the unitary structural member is not a fabrication of separate sections. However, individual unitary structural members 10 can themselves be sections of a larger combined structure 22, as shown in FIG. 2. In the arrangement shown in FIG. 2, a pair of unitary structural members 10 having a configuration similar to that shown in FIG. 1, are connected via mating connective structures 24, one of which is more clearly seen in FIG. 7. The connective structures 24 may be integrally formed on one or both ends of the unitary structural members 10. Preferably, the connective structures 24 include a self-registering connector 26; that is, a connector 26 configured to prevent relative rotation of connected members. The self-registering connector 26 may include a male or female connector 28, as shown in FIG. 7, a pin or other independent connection, or another type of connection. To combine a pair of the unitary structural members 10, the connective structures 24 are connected and preferably adhered, welded or bonded to form the combined structure 22.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 16, line 16 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--There are two preferred general categories of manufacturing processes for producing the metal unitary structural member 10 of the invention. The metal unitary structural member 10 can be manufactured indirectly using various types of investment (ceramic mold) casting. The invention can also be made directly or indirectly using additive metal forming technologies. All preferred methods of manufacturing the metal unitary structural member 10, however, typically require three-dimensional data obtained from digital solid models of the invention. These production processes are, therefore, what are generally termed computer-aided manufacturing (CAM) processes. A summary of preferred fundamental CAM processes for making the metal unitary structural member 10 is presented in FIG. 9. Those fundamental manufacturing processes with the capacity to produce the unitary structural member 10 with internal features are highlighted with a black square in the column to the far right in ~~to~~ FIG. 9.--